Sources Sought Notice

#516778 – INSTALLATION OF POWER AND COMMUNICATION MATERIALS TO SUPPORT PANEL 8 OUTFITTING

Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC (NWP) is publishing this SOURCES SOUGHT NOTICE to seek interest from capable and qualified businesses who may want to compete for a subcontract for electrical and communications installation in accordance with Engineering Change Notice (ECN) 14450 *Outfitting Power for Panel 8* and ECN 14460 *Installation of Communication Skids for Panel 8*. These two ECNs, which contain drawings, will be provided to offerors upon issuance of the Request for Proposal (RFP) solicitation document.

The resultant Installation Subcontract will support the Outfitting of Panel 8 Project, which will provide electrical power and communications capabilities in the Underground (U\G) Mine Panel 8, located at the U. S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP), which is 33 miles southeast of Carlsbad, New Mexico. NWP will provide permanent material and equipment as Government Furnished Equipment (GFE). The Bill of Materials (BOM) for the GFE material and equipment will be provided to the subcontractor awardee for review to ensure all materials and equipment identified in the ECNs are identified in the BOM. The subcontractor awardee shall submit their evaluation of the BOM to NWP within 10 days of subcontract award. The subcontractor shall be responsible for procuring materials not included in the ECNs that will be required to support the installation of the electrical and communication systems.

This sources sought synopsis is <u>not</u> a solicitation nor a Request for Proposal (RFP), and should not be construed as any type of contractual commitment. Businesses wanting to compete for this subcontract should email its interest to <u>mary.harding@wipp.ws</u>.

AGAIN, PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS NOT A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) SOLICITATION, AS NO SOLICITATION EXISTS FOR OFFICIAL POSTING OR ISSUANCE AT THIS TIME. THIS SOURCES SOUGHT NOTICE IS PURELY FOR MARKET RESEARCH PURPOSES ONLY.

NWP is conducting this market survey to determine availability and technical capability of all qualified businesses to perform this effort. Interested firms may include small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses (SDB), 8(a) small businesses, woman-owned small businesses (WOSB), veteran owned small businesses (VOSB), service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses (SDVOSB), and Historically Under-utilized Business Zone (HUBZone) small businesses.

NWP intends to evaluate proposals received in response to the RFP and award the resultant subcontract, using 'Lowest Price Technically Acceptable' (LPTA) evaluation procedures. The evaluation criteria, as stated in the RFP document, are designed to determine (1) which firm is most likely to successfully and timely perform the requirements specified in the solicitation's Statement of Work (SOW), ECNs, attachments, applicable codes and any standards referenced in the solicitation documents, and (2) which offeror's proposed price is fair and reasonable.

Estimated Solicitation Issuance Date: April 14, 2021

Pre-Proposal Conference/Site Tour: April 22, 2021 (Tentative)

Estimated Proposal Due Date: May 6, 2021

The contract type of the resultant subcontract shall be firm-fixed-price.

All responding firms are requested to identify their firm's size and type of business according to the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes they are aligned with. This acquisition is categorized under NAICS code 238210 – Electrical Contractors and Other Wiring Installation Contractors. Teaming arrangements and joint ventures may submit a proposal for this requirement, but their business partnership arrangement must be identified in the proposal.

Your review and feedback of this document is appreciated.